



BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

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**COUNCIL MEETING
REMOTE ACCESS ONLY
Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.**

Salvatore Amato
James Cherry
Sherwin Collins
Ronald S. Little, Jr.
Wendy McClure

Sally Neiderhiser
Eion O'Neill
James Sando
Mark Tarlecki
Gregory J. D'Angelo, Mayor

**Call to Order, Date and Time
Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance**

1. Public Comment

2. Discussion: Joint UCC Appeals Board Agreement and Resolution

3. Consideration: June 2020 Disbursements: \$48,659.37

4. Old Business/Committee & Board Reports/Zoning Applications

5. Solicitor / Mayor / Council / Chief of Police / Manager

Adjournment

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS:

In response to the Governor's Stay Home Order due to the COVID-19 health pandemic, this meeting will be conducted via ZOOM. All members of Council, staff and public will participate remotely. The public may join this meeting by either telephone using the dial in number or entering the URL on an internet browser. Below you will find instructions on how to access and participate in the meeting:

Meeting URL:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87501777055?pwd=MStoZEk2aGJMUXVLT2ZKSzNvUGprUT09>
- **Meeting via Zoom App:** if you have the Zoom App on your smartphone, tablet, or computer, open the program, click join a meeting, and enter the Meeting ID: 875 0177 7055
- **Meeting dial in number (no video):** 1-929-205-6099
- **Meeting ID number:** (to be entered when prompted): 875 0177 7055
- **Meeting Password:** 660506

All interested parties may participate through the Zoom Conference link on the date and time noted above and when called upon by the Council President. The public may also submit questions or comments prior to the meeting by e-mail to chart@northwalesborough.org; these must be received no later than 12 Noon on June 23, 2020. Persons with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting and require auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact North Wales Borough at 215-699-4424 or by e-mail to chart@northwalesborough.org.

Mayor's Office Hours

2nd & 4th Tuesdays 2:00 - 4:00 PM
2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Monthly Meeting Information:

Boards and Commissions

Borough Council	2 nd & 4 th Tuesday of Month
Zoning Hearing Board	1 st Tuesday of Month, as Needed
Planning Commission	1 st Wednesday of Month
HARB	3 rd Wednesday of Month
Park & Recreation Board	2 nd Thursday of Month
Shade Tree Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month
Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission	2 nd Thursday of Month – 7:30 PM
Historic Commission	3 rd Tuesday of Month

All above meetings begin at 7 P.M. in the Municipal Building, unless noted otherwise.

North Wales Water Authority	2nd & 4th Wednesday of Month 5:00 PM, 200 W. Walnut Street
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Please note: The meeting is being digitally recorded.



**BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

RESOLUTION 2020-_____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION
AGREEMENT WITH UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP TO CREATE
A JOINT BOARD OF APPEALS**

WHEREAS, Article 9, Section 5 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1996 authorize two or more local governments to jointly cooperate with each other in the exercise or performance of their respective governmental functions, powers and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Wales and Upper Gwynedd Township desire to form a joint Board of Appeals for the purpose of hearing and deciding appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by a building official or code official relating to the application and interpretation of municipal building codes encompassed by the Uniform Construction Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. North Wales Borough agrees to form a Board of Appeals with Upper Gwynedd Township on the terms and conditions set forth in the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement to Create a Board of Appeals, attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof by reference.
2. The president of Borough Council is authorized to execute the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement to Create a Board of Appeals.
3. The Borough hereby appoints _____ and _____ to serve as its representatives to the Board of Appeals for a ___ and ___ year term in accordance with Section 3.b. of the Agreement.

RESOLVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020.

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

(BOROUGH SEAL)

By: _____
James Sando, President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT TO CREATE A BOARD
OF APPEALS**

THIS INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2020 by and between:

THE BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES, a Borough organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with an address of 300 School Street, North Wales, Pennsylvania, 19454; and

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP, a Township of the First Class organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with an address of 1 Parkside Place, North Wales, Pennsylvania, 19454.

The above-described parties shall hereinafter be referred to collectively as “Members” or individually as a “Member.”

CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT AND BACKGROUND

A. WHEREAS, Article 9, Section 5 of the Pennsylvania Constitution and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1996, 53 Pa. C.S.A. § 2301 *et seq.* (the “Act”) authorize two or more local governments to jointly cooperate with other local governments in the exercise or performance of their respective governmental functions, powers and responsibilities; and

B. WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania General Assembly adopted the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act on November 10, 1999, as Act 45 of 1999, which is codified at 35 P.S. §§ 7210.101 through 7210.1103 (“Act 45”) in order to create a statewide building code which would provide uniform standards for the protection of life, health, property and the environment and for the safety and welfare of the owners and occupants of buildings and structures; and

C. WHEREAS, Act 45 went into effect on April 9, 2004; and

D. WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 45, each Member has adopted an ordinance wherein the respective municipality elected to administer and enforce the statewide building code, which consists of the provisions of Chapters 2-29 and 31-35 of the International Building Code (“IBC”), and its successor codes as published by the International Code Council, Inc. (the “Building Code”); and

E. WHEREAS, contemporaneously with adopting the IBC, each Member also enacted ordinances which adopted one or more of the following codes published by the ICC:

1. International Existing Building Code
2. International Residential Code
3. ICC Electrical Code,
4. International Mechanical Code
5. International Plumbing Code
6. International Fuel Gas Code
7. International Energy Conservation Code
8. International Fire Code
9. Sections AE501-AE503 and AE601-AE605 of Appendix E of the

International Residential Code

10. Appendix E of the International Building Code
11. Appendix H of the International Building Code
12. Appendix G of the International Building Code

(hereinafter referred to as the “ICC Codes”); and

F. WHEREAS, the IBC and ICC Codes contemplate the creation of a Board of Appeals to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the respective

municipality’s building official or code official relating to the application and interpretation of the municipality’s Building Code and related ICC Codes; and

G. WHEREAS, Act 45 and the regulations promulgated pursuant to Act 45 permit two or more municipalities to establish a joint Board of Appeals through an intergovernmental agreement adopted pursuant to the Act; and

H. WHEREAS, the parties hereto are desirous to form an intergovernmental Board of Appeals which shall act as the Members’ Board of Appeals that will hear and decide appeals taken from the decisions of each of their municipal Code Officials; and

I. WHEREAS, the Members desire to enter this Agreement to form the intergovernmental Board of Appeals (the “Board of Appeals”) and to establish the framework, organization structure and governing regulations under which the Board of Appeals shall operate, and to perform the functions described herein and in the Members’ Building Code and related ICC Codes which have been adopted by the Members.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Members hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

1. **Formation of Intergovernmental Board of Appeals.** Pursuant to the authority granted in the Pennsylvania Constitution, the Act and in Act 45, the Members hereby form an intergovernmental Board of Appeals to be known as the Joint Board of Appeals (the “Board of Appeals”). The Members shall participate in the Board of Appeals. Additional municipalities may join the Board of Appeals pursuant to the procedure in paragraph 8 herein.

2. **Jurisdiction of Board of Appeals.**

a. The Board of Appeals shall have jurisdiction over the following matters:

(1) Appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the respective Members' Building Code Official relating to the application and interpretation of the Members' Building Code and any other related ICC Code that was duly adopted by the Member;

(2) Requests for a variance from a provision of the Members' Building Code an any other related ICC Code that was duly adopted by the Member; and

(3) Requests for extension of time.

b. The Board of Appeals shall consider the following factors when deciding an appeal which is filed under 2.a.(1) above:

(1) whether the true intent of the Member's Building Code or related ICC Code has been incorrectly interpreted by the Member's Building Official or Code Official;

(2) whether the provisions of the Building Code or related ICC Code do not fully apply;

(3) whether an equivalent or superior form of construction is proposed and should be permitted to be used in lieu of strict conformance with the Member's Building Code or related ICC Codes.

c. The Board of Appeals may consider the following factors when ruling on a request for an extension of time or a request for a variance which is filed pursuant to paragraph 2.a.(2) or (3) above:

(1) the reasonableness of the Building Code or ICC Code's application in a particular case;

(2) the extent to which the granting of a variance or an extension of time will pose a violation of the Building Code or ICC Code's application in a particular case;

- (3) the availability of professional or technical personnel needed to come into compliance;
- (4) the availability of materials and equipment needed to come into compliance;
- (5) the efforts being made to come into compliance as quickly as possible;
- (6) compensatory features that will provide an equivalent degree of protection to the Building Code or ICC Code.

d. The Board of Appeals shall not have jurisdiction arising from the Member's Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances or any other ordinance enacted by the Members under the authority of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code.

3. Organizational Structure/Qualifications of Board Members/Officers.

a. The Board of Appeals shall consist of five (5) representatives and two (2) alternate representatives. Each Member shall appoint ___ representative(s) who must have the qualifications and training described in paragraph 3.c. below. After each Member has appointed ___ representative(s) to serve on the Board of Appeals, the Members shall thereafter choose among the seven (7) representatives appointed to determine which representatives shall serve as the alternates.

b. The Members have agreed that the terms of office for each representative shall be as follows:

- (1) _____ shall serve a five year term;
- (2) _____ shall serve a four year term;

- (3) _____ shall serve a three year term;
- (4) _____ shall serve a two year term;
- (5) _____ shall serve a one year term.

Thereafter, all newly appointed representatives on the Board of Appeals shall serve for a five (5) year term or until the Members appoint a successor representative.

When a vacancy occurs due to the expiration of the term, resignation, or removal of a representative, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the same Member which appointed the representative whose seat has been vacated. Any representative on the Board of Appeals once qualified and appointed may be removed from office for malfeasance, misfeasance or nonfeasance in office or for other cause by majority vote of the governing body of the Member which appointed him or her, or by majority vote of all Members taken after the Member has received fifteen (15) days advance notice of the intent to cause such removal or to take such a vote. A hearing shall be held in connection with such vote if the Member requests it. An appointment made to fill a vacancy arising before the expiration of a representative's term shall be for the unexpired term.

c. The representatives on the Board of Appeals must be qualified by experience and training to pass judgment on matters pertaining to building construction and shall be from one of the following professions or disciplines:

- (1) Registered design professional who is a registered architect, or a builder or superintendent of building construction with at least ten (10) years' experience, five (5) of which shall have been in responsible charge of work;
- (2) Registered design professional with structural engineering or architectural experience;

(3) Registered design professional with mechanical or plumbing engineering experience; or a mechanical or plumbing contractor with at least ten (10) years' experience, five (5) of which shall have been in responsible charge of work;

(4) Registered design professional with electrical engineering experience; or an electrical contractor with at least ten (10) years' experience, five (5) of which shall have been in responsible charge of work;

(5) Registered design professional with fire protection engineering experience; or a fire protection contractor with at least ten (10) years' experience, five (5) of which shall have been in responsible charge of work.

d. The representatives on the Board of Appeals shall not be elected officials or employees of the Members.

e. The Members shall strive to appoint representatives in the Member's municipalities, however, if the Members cannot find qualified residents to serve on the Board of Appeals, they shall be authorized to appoint a non-resident representative to the Board of Appeals.

4. **Officers/Term of Representatives/Disqualification.**

a. The representatives on the Board of Appeals shall select one representative to serve as Chairperson and one representative to serve as Secretary. The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings and hearings of the Board of Appeals. The Secretary shall keep a detailed record of all proceedings before the Board of Appeals and shall provide copies of all written decisions rendered by the Board of Appeals to each Member.

b. The Chairperson and Secretary shall serve for a term of one (1) year or until such time as the representatives on the Board of Appeals appoint a new Chairperson or Secretary.

c. A representative or alternate representative on the Board of Appeals shall not rule on any appeal in which he or she has a personal interest in the outcome of the appeal.

5. **Term of Agreement.** This Agreement and the Board of Appeals created herein shall have an initial term of five (5) years, which term shall commence on the Effective Date of this Agreement (as defined in paragraph 24). At the expiration of the initial five (5) year term, this Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms unless a majority of the Members vote to terminate this Agreement and their representatives' participation in the Board of Appeals.

6. **Member's Ability to Terminate Membership in Board.** Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 5 above, a Member may terminate its participation in the Board of Appeals provided that the governing body of the Member enacts a resolution authorizing such termination. If a Member's governing body enacts such resolution, the termination shall be effective immediately or a later date which is specified in the Resolution.

7. **Costs Incurred by the Board of Appeals.** Each Member shall pay its own costs and expenses in processing a property owner's appeal to the Board of Appeals (for example, if a property owner in Upper Gwynedd Township files an appeal to the Board of Appeals, Upper Gwynedd Township shall pay for all costs and expenses associated with such appeal). Each Member shall establish its own application fees for filing an appeal to the Board of Appeals, which fees shall be established from time to time by resolution of the governing body of each Member.

8. **Additional Members.** Other municipalities may join the Board of Appeals provided a majority of the Members agree and the governing body of such municipality enacts a resolution approving its participation in the Board of Appeals and provided an authorized officer of such additional municipality(ies) executes a written Joinder agreeing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement and any Bylaws adopted for the Board of Appeals.

9. **Functions of the Board.** It shall be the function of the Board of Appeals to rule upon:

a. Appeals from decisions rendered by the code enforcement officers of the member municipalities regarding the meaning of the Uniform Construction Code provisions or the applicability of such provisions to prospective building projects.

b. Applications for variance from the provisions of the Uniform Construction Code or for extensions to the time extended, by either the Code or code enforcement officer of a Member municipality, to an owner requiring that he take some required action.

10. **Rules and Procedures.** The Board of Appeals shall be authorized to establish policies and procedures necessary to carry out its duties provided that each Member approves the same by resolution of the Member's governing body.

11. **Appeals Procedure.**

a. Filing of Appeal. Appeals to the Board of Appeals shall be filed in the Member municipality where the subject property is located on forms provided by each Member. All appeals from orders, decisions and determinations made by a Member's Building Official or Code Official must be filed within thirty (30) days of the date of the order, decision or determination which is being appealed.

b. Notice of Meeting. The Board of Appeals shall hold a hearing within sixty (60) days from the postmark date or personal service of an appeal, unless the appellant agrees in writing to an extension of time within which to commence the hearing. Notice of the public hearing shall be sent by the Member's Manager or Secretary to all representatives of the Board of Appeals, the appellant landowner, the governing body of each Member, the Member's Building Official (if the appeal relates to the Member's Building Code) or Code Official (if the appeal relates to the ICC Codes). In addition, notice shall be advertised once in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality where the subject property is located not less than seven (7) nor more than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of the hearing. Where notices have been sent to any person entitled to receive notice under the terms hereof, the failure to receive such notice shall not be a basis for the invalidation of the hearing, nor deprive the Board of Appeals of jurisdiction, nor compel re-advertising.

c. Public Hearing. All hearings of the Board of Appeals shall be held in the Member municipality where the appeal was filed and shall be open to the public and transcribed by a stenographer. The hearing shall be conducted under and pursuant to the procedure designated in the Local Agency Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The majority of the Board of Appeals shall constitute a quorum, and the majority of the representatives of the Board of Appeals present and voting may render a decision on any matter before the Board of Appeals. At the hearing, the appellant shall be entitled to be represented by counsel and those persons enumerated in paragraph 11.b. as well as any other persons authorized by the Board of Appeals, in its discretion, shall be permitted to intervene as parties.

d. Adjourned Meeting. When the necessary number to constitute a quorum of the Board are not present, if the testimony has not been concluded or for any other reason in

the discretion of the Board of Appeals, the Board of Appeals may continue the hearing to a future date. If the hearing is not continued to a date certain, the hearing must be re-advertised in accordance with the procedure in paragraph 11.b. prior to the continued hearing.

e. Legal Counsel. Where legal counsel is desired, an attorney, other than the solicitor of the Member Municipalities, may be appointed to serve as counsel to the Board of Appeals.

12. **Rulings.** In ruling on an appeal, the Board shall find for Appellant if it determines that:

a. The true intent of the Uniform Construction Code, or the act which establishes it as a statewide code, was incorrectly interpreted by the code enforcement officer.

b. The provisions of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, Act of November 10, 1999, P.L. 491, 35 P. S. § 7210.10 *et. seq.*, do not apply to the circumstances out of which arose the decision appealed from.

c. A form of construction, equivalent in the Uniform Construction Code, is to be used.

13. **Request for Extension of Time.** In ruling on a request for extension of time or variance, the Board shall consider the following:

a. The reasonableness of the Uniform Construction Code's applicability to a given set of circumstances.

b. The degree to which the variance or extension of time requested deviates from strict adherence to the requirements of the Uniform Construction Code.

c. The extent to which granting the variance or extension of time requested will create an unsafe condition.

- d. The availability of professional or technical personnel needed to come into compliance.
- e. The availability of materials and equipment needed to come into compliance.
- f. The efforts of Applicant to come into compliance as quickly as possible.
- g. Compensatory measures that will provided an equivalent degree of protection to the community.

14. **Decisions.**

a. Action of the Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals shall affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the Building Official or Code Official by a majority vote of the representatives of the Board of Appeals hearing the appeal. The failure to obtain a majority vote shall constitute affirmance of the action of the Building Official or Code Official.

b. Rendering of Decision. The Board shall render a written decision within forty-five (45) days of the close of the hearings and shall make findings of fact relevant to said application and apply the applicable law to said findings of fact in the rendering its decision. Copies of the decisions shall be mailed by first class mail to each party before the Board of Appeals and to the governing body of each Member, provided, however, that failure to render a decision within the forty-five (45) day period herein shall not constitute an affirmance or denial.

c. Types of Decision. The Board of Appeals may:

- (1) Deny the request in whole or in part.
- (2) Grant the request in whole or in part.
- (3) Grant the request upon certain conditions being satisfied.

d. Enforcement of Decision. The Member's Building Official or Code Official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the Board of Appeals.

e. Appeal of Decision. The Member, whether or not a party before the Board of Appeals, and any party before the Board of Appeals who is aggrieved by the decision of the Board of Appeals may appeal to the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County within thirty (30) days from the date of the rendering of the decision of the Board. The Court of Common Pleas shall review the record on *certiorari* to determine whether or not the Board of Appeals abused its discretion or committed an error of law.

f. The board of appeals may not act upon appeals, requests for variances or for extensions of time relating to accessibility. Such appeals and applications are within the exclusive purview of the Accessibility Advisory Board under § 403.142 of the Uniform Construction Code.

15. **Reorganization.** The Board of Appeals shall reorganize annually, at its first scheduled meeting, by selecting one of its Members as Chairperson and another as Secretary. It shall be the function of the Chairman to conduct meetings and preside at hearings before the Board. In the Chairperson's absence, the Secretary shall assume the chair with a third member substituting as secretary. In the absence of the secretary, a third member shall assume his or her role. It shall be the function of the secretary to prepare and publish public notice of board meetings, keep minutes of all Board proceedings, prepare all items of Board correspondence and draft and circulate the decisions of the Board. In all matters brought before the Board, the presence of a quorum of Members shall be sufficient to all for the transaction of business.

16. **Compensation.** Each member of the Board of Appeals shall be entitled to compensation for services in the amount of \$_____ per new matter adjudicated.

17. **Fees.** Each Member municipality of the Board of Appeals shall establish a fee to be imposed upon those Appellant-Applicants who present a petition to the Board pertinent to construction within that municipality. The fee shall be used to defray the cost of public notice of any Board of Appeal meetings held to hear or deliberate upon the matter raised in the petition, to compensate the Members of the Board and to cover any other costs incurred in the proceedings. Within thirty (30) days of the date of the written decision, the municipality shall forward to the Appellant an itemized statement listing all draws upon the fee paid at the outset of the appeal. The statement shall be accompanied by the municipality's check in the sum of the unused portion of the Appellant's fee.

18. **Application of Uniform Construction Code.** When an appeal or application concerns construction within a particular Member municipality, the Board of Appeals shall apply the Uniform Construction Code with such modifications to the Uniform Commercial Code as that municipality has enacted through its governing body.

19. **Notices.** Whenever a notice is required to be given to any Member, the addresses listed above shall be used unless a different address is specifically designated by such Member. The notices shall be addressed to each Member's manager. Notices given by certified mail will be considered to have been given two (2) business days after being deposited in the United States mail. Notices given by personal delivery shall be considered to have been given on the date of delivery. Notices given by overnight courier shall be considered to have been given on the first business day after the date deposited with such overnight courier. Notices given by telecopier shall be deemed given upon completion of transmission as evidenced by the confirmation sheet generated by the sending facsimile machine. Notices may be given on behalf of any party by its counsel.

20. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

21. **Severability.** Should any sentence, clause, paragraph, term or provision of this Agreement hereafter be declared to be unconstitutional, illegal, invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such declaration shall not affect or impair the validity or enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement, it being the intention of the Members that this Agreement would have been made and entered into had not such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision been incorporated herein.

22. **Entire Agreement.** This writing constitutes the entire agreement among the Members. No modification of the terms of this Agreement shall be effective as to any Member unless approved in writing by such Member in a signed addendum to this Agreement.

23. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be execute in any number of counterparts each of which when executed shall be deemed to ban original but all such counterparts shall constitute one and the same instrument.

24. **Effective Date.** This Agreement shall be effective on _____, 2020 (“Effective Date”) provided that an authorized representative of each Member has executed this Agreement and each Member has passed a Resolution authorizing participation in the Board of Appeals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Members have caused these presents to be duly executed and attested with the seal of the respective Member as of the date first mentioned hereinabove.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto affixed their hands and seals
the day and year above written.

(BOROUGH SEAL)

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES

By: _____
James Sando, President

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

By: _____
, Chairperson

Borough of North Wales CHECK DETAIL REPORT

June 2020

0110010 - GENERAL FUND CHECKING	<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Clr</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	06/09/2020	6828	ASSOCIATED IMAGING		-48.10
	06/09/2020	6829	BOROUGH OF NORTH WALES POLICE PENSIONPLAN		-1,676.86
	06/09/2020	6830	COURSEVECTOR.COM		-200.00
	06/09/2020	6831	DELAWARE VALLEY HEALTH TRUST		-9,491.38
	06/09/2020	6832	PECO 23654-10011 (PW - 599 ELM)		-42.70
	06/09/2020	6833	PECO 32937-01304 BORO HALL		-97.44
	06/09/2020	6834	PECO 63863-01003 PW GARAGE		-30.39
	06/09/2020	6835	PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM		-721.67
	06/09/2020	6836	TRANSUNION		-50.00
	06/09/2020	6837	U. S. BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE		-240.15
	06/09/2020	6838	VERIZON S0007570		-165.67
	06/09/2020	6839	VERIZON WIRELESS		-175.17
	06/09/2020	6840	VOYAGER FLEET SYSTEMS INC.		-573.37
	06/09/2020	6841	WEST GENERATOR SERVICES, INC.		-136.74
	06/09/2020	6842	NWWA 30543700-82705		-25.90
	06/09/2020	6843	PA ONE CALL SYSTEM INC.		-11.90
	06/09/2020	6844	SWIF - STATE WORKERS' INSURANCE FUND		-1,513.00
	06/09/2020	6845	ACE FUELING		-478.12
	06/09/2020	6846	CARDMEMBER SERVICE		-716.91
	06/09/2020	6847	PECO 01711-30377 (EVENT ST POWER)		-17.18
	06/09/2020	6848	PECO 02951-60039 HESS PARK		-30.80
	06/09/2020	6849	PECO 63864-01609 WALNUT SQUARE		-33.61
	06/09/2020	6850	PECO 66955-01103 PW GARAGE		-64.74
	06/09/2020	6851	PECO 70344-01702 BORO HALL		-392.12
	06/09/2020	6852	PECO 79323-09073 125 N MAIN		-58.76
	06/09/2020	6853	PECO 79540-01509 WEINGARTNER		-33.24
	06/23/2020	6854	AXON ENTERPRISE, INC.		-150.00
	06/23/2020	6855	BOUCHER & JAMES INC.		-1,029.60
	06/23/2020	6856	HAMBURG RUBIN MULLIN MAXWELL		-756.00
	06/23/2020	6857	JL REYES ACCOUNTING & TAX SERVICE LLC		-900.00
	06/23/2020	6858	KELLNER'S LAWN & LEISURE		-75.97
	06/23/2020	6859	MRM WORKERS COMP FUND		-13,363.38

Borough of North Wales CHECK DETAIL REPORT

June 2020

Date	Num	Name	Clr	Amount
06/23/2020	6860	NWWA		-13.46
06/23/2020	6861	OFFICE BASICS		-351.77
06/23/2020	6862	PITNEY BOWES - EQUIP LEASE		-159.66
06/23/2020	6863	RICHARD HAGY		-120.00
06/23/2020	6864	RUBIN GLICKMAN STEINBERG & GIFFORD		-3,000.00
06/23/2020	6865	WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP INC.		-127.63
06/23/2020	6866	ALLIED 100 LLC		-3,142.00
06/23/2020	6867	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.		-42.99
06/23/2020	6868	BOUCHER & JAMES INC.		-5,359.32
06/23/2020	6869	METRO ELEVATOR CO.		-106.61
06/23/2020	6870	REPUBLIC SERVICES #320		-100.86
06/23/2020	6871	TIMOTHY WEIR		-821.35
06/23/2020	6872	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		-615.79
06/23/2020	6873	PECO 67276-01407 STREET LIGHTS		-1,384.56
Total 0110010 · GENERAL FUND CHECKING				-48,646.87
3510010 · LIQUID FUELS CHECKING				
06/23/2020	1266	PECO 82667-00208 RED LIGHT		-12.50
Total 3510010 · LIQUID FUELS CHECKING				-12.50
				-48,659.37

**North Wales Borough Planning Commission Meeting
June 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

At the start of the meeting, Mrs. Martin Washington announced that the North Wales Planning Commission meeting was being conducted virtually by the use of telecommunications devices via a Zoom Conference accessed by either telephone using the dial in number or entering the URL on an internet browser, both of which were provided on the North Wales Borough website www.northwalesborouh.org at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Commission members present were Gregory J. D'Angelo, Lillian Higgins, Greta Martin Washington, Linda McAdoo and Mark Tarlecki (joined the virtual meeting at 7:45 PM). Assistant Borough Manager/Zoning Officer Alan Guzzardo and Margaret Dobbs, MCPC, also participated in the virtual meeting.

There were no interested parties participating through the Zoom Conference link.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Martin Washington at 7:07 P.M.

1. Public Comment – Mr. Guzzardo stated that no questions or comments were received from the public prior to tonight's meeting.
2. Discussion of 2020 Planning Commission Work Items
 - a. Digital Walkability Audit Flyer – Alan advised that the Borough Solicitor has approved the text for the digital flyer. The Planning Commission members thought that the "foot" logo was very creative and had no other comments. Ms. Dobbs stated that the plan is to post the digital flyer on the Borough website, on social media channels, and distribute through email; also can reach out to the business community, the library, and the school district to advertise and promote this tool through their channels as well.
 - b. North Wales Walkability Survey
 - Feedback was received from Mrs. Martin Washington and Mrs. Higgins and their concerns were discussed. Mrs. Martin Washington's comments included being allowed to choose only one and not multiple items under "General Category" and problem with submitting her survey. She suggested that multiple items be permitted to be reported and allow a note to be added to each item briefly explaining the concern. If possible, she also suggested that the questions be viewed on the full screen, rather than on a bar running down the right hand side of the screen, in order to see all the items at once and therefore comprehensively answer them better. Mrs. Higgins said she found it difficult to manipulate the interactive map.

- Ms. Dobbs reviewed possible revisions to clarify and simplify the various data points within the survey. When the survey is submitted, Mrs. Martin Washington suggested that there be a notification acknowledging receipt of the submitted survey.
- Alan will send sidewalk data on the sidewalks installed as part of the Safe Routes to School to Ms. Dobbs so this data can be added to the map.
- Ms. Dobbs will make revisions to the survey and email to the Planning Commission and Alan. She asked that the members participate in the survey to determine how user friendly it is before going “live” for the public to access.
- Mrs. Martin Washington expressed her concern regarding the Borough liability issue once a problem is identified in the sidewalk audit. She also stressed it is important to have Council feedback on how any sidewalk repair program would be funded.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. D’Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Higgins, to approve the minutes of the May 6, 2020 Planning Commission meeting. The motion passed 4-0 with Mr. Tarlecki abstaining.

A motion was made by Mr. D’Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Higgins, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Greta Martin Washington, Chair

Borough Boards & Commissions Vacancies

- Historical Architectural Review Board – Term Expires: 12/31/2023
Must be a licensed real estate broker.
- Parks & Recreation Board – Term Expires: 12/31/2020
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- Zoning Hearing Board – Term Expires: 12/31/2023

Please submit a letter of interest for any one or more of the above listed openings, addressed to the North Wales Borough Council in care of the Borough Manager. Letters can be submitted electronically to chart@northwalesborough.org.

Your 2019 Water Quality Report is Now Available Online

Each year, the North Wales Water Authority provides its customers with a Water Quality Report so that they may stay informed about the quality of their drinking water. The report lets you know where your water comes from, how it's treated, what it contains and most importantly, how it compares with federal and state standards.

As one of our many efforts to be environmentally responsible, we are no longer doing a mass mailing of this report. If you live in North Wales Borough, or Lower Gwynedd, Montgomery, New Britain, Upper Dublin, Upper Gwynedd or Whitpain Townships, you may view your report online at nwwater.com/go/ccr. If you live in Warrington Township, you may view your report online at nwwater.com/go/wwwq. If you'd like a paper copy, you may print it directly from our website.

If you would prefer to have a copy mailed to you, please call us at 215-699-4836.



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Parent-Focused TTHY Media Campaign

CAMPAIGN FACT SHEET

The Montgomery County Department of Human Services' Office of Drug and Alcohol, Family Services, prevention-focused coalitions, providers, and school districts throughout Montgomery County are partnering to educate parents and caregivers about the "Talk. They Hear You."® Campaign (TTHY).

The goal of TTHY is to provide parents and caregivers with the resources they need to address the issue of alcohol and other drugs with their children under the age of 21.

The Campaign seeks to:

- Increase parents' awareness of the prevalence and risks of underage drinking and substance use
- Equip parents with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to prevent underage drinking and substance use
- Increase actions by parents to prevent underage drinking and substance use.

Adolescents Are Engaging in Underage Drinking and Substance Use

According to the 2019 PA Youth Survey, alcohol continues to be the most widely used substance among Montgomery County's youth, with 20.7% of 10th graders and 35.2% of 12th graders reporting

alcohol use in the past 30-days. Marijuana is also prevalent among adolescents with one quarter (25.1%) of our 12th graders reporting use in the past 30-days. Vaping of Nicotine and marijuana products has greatly increased from 2017 to 2019 from 31.6% to 55.5% in 2019 for Nicotine and from 20.0% to 37.2% for Marijuana/Hash Oil.

Underage Drinking and Substance Use Are Serious Problems

Underage Drinking

Some kids start drinking at a young age. Many young people start drinking before the age of 15. Thirty percent of eighth graders in Montgomery County said they tried alcohol at some time in their lives, and 7.3% percent of 8th graders reported drinking alcohol in the past 30 days.

Alcohol can affect brain function. Alcohol use can permanently impair brain function by affecting actual physical development of the brain structure as well as brain functioning. Negative effects include decreased ability in planning, executive functioning, memory, spatial operations, and attention.

Alcohol can lead to other substance use.

Alcohol use is associated with a greater likelihood of using other substances, including marijuana, tobacco, and other drugs.

Marijuana

Marijuana can harm adolescent brain development. Marijuana use distorts how adolescent minds perceive the world, causing poor judgment and decision-making, including unprotected sex and driving while intoxicated. Marijuana use can cause a lack of balance and coordination (possibly increasing injury risk in activities such as driving and sports) in youth. It is also linked to earlier onset of psychosis in youth known to be at risk for schizophrenia.

Marijuana is addictive. Nine percent of people who try marijuana become addicted.

Marijuana use can lead to use disorder. Recent data suggest that 30 percent of those who use marijuana may have some degree of marijuana use disorder.

The Consequences of Underage Drinking and Substance Use Can Be Devastating

The consequences of underage drinking and substance use can include:

- Injury or death from accidents
- Unintended, unwanted, and unprotected sexual activity
- Mental health challenges such as depression and anxiety disorders
- Difficulty with attention, concentration, problem solving, learning, and memory
- Allergic reactions, breathing trouble, coma, and even permanent brain damage or death
- Academic problems.

Underage Drinking and Substance Use Is Not a Top-of-Mind Concern Among Parents

Many parents with children under the age of 21 don't believe underage drinking and substance use are issues to be concerned about and may not have conversations with their kids surrounding these topics. However, parents have a significant influence on their children's decisions to experiment with alcohol or other drugs.

Research suggests that one of the most influential factors when a child is growing up is a strong, open relationship with a parent. When parents create supportive and nurturing environments, children make better decisions.

The "Talk. They Hear You."® Campaign is designed to provide parents and caregivers with the information and resources they need to properly address underage drinking and substance use with their children.

"Talk. They Hear You." Provides Parents With Knowledge, Resources, and Confidence

The Campaign uses social media; the website www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov; partnership outreach; and radio, television, and print public service announcements to help parents feel more confident when talking to their children about alcohol and other drugs.

Campaign messages:

- Emphasize the importance of parents talking to their kids about underage drinking and substance use prevention before they reach an age when they are confronted with decisions about it
- Offer advice to parents about preparing children to deal with peer pressure that may lead to alcohol and substance use
- Focus on helping parents address the issue of underage drinking and substance use in a manner that emphasizes their children's ability to make their own decisions
- Model behaviors and situations when parents can begin the conversation about the dangers of alcohol and substance use with their children.

References and citations can be found at www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov.

For More Information

Visit www.underagedrinking.samhsa.gov and download the "Talk. They Hear You." app.

For more information about TTHY or substance abuse prevention efforts in your community, please contact:



www.montcopa.org
Facebook: @HHSMontcoPA



*The Partnership TMA of Montgomery County is a non-profit organization that collaborates with public and private sector partners to **EASE** traffic congestion, **ENHANCE** transportation options, **EDUCATE** and **ENGAGE** the community on the issues of land use, the environment and healthy lifestyles.”*

PTMA Annual Report to Membership

Every year the PTMA educates its partners, businesses and the public on carpooling, car sharing, vanpooling, teleworking, biking, last mile connector shuttles, walking and transit service in order to provide them with several alternative forms of transportation instead of using a single occupancy vehicle in order to reduce traffic congestion and improve air quality.

This year began no different. The following are some of the highlights:

- We made a conscious effort to expand our social media presence and our contacts with the general public. The Mobility Hotline logged 1,079 calls; our website recorded 12,378 unique visitors; we posted 253 times to Facebook and sent out 203 Tweets. New to our website was our blog. Sadly our over 20 year relationship with WNPV radio ended when they closed their doors in April 2020.
- Our partnership with our local chambers, the County Navicate system, the Greater North Penn VNA Foundation, Bucks Mont Collaborative and MontCo Works (the county’s economic engine) all strengthened as we provided TDM information to them to share with their members. In several cases, PTMA staff sit on their Board of Directors in order to provide the latest in transportation information and to encourage alternative methods of transportation.
- We were working with SEPTA on providing updates for SEPTA Key, educating our members and the public about Tap/Exit and registering seniors for Senior Key.
- New programs were introduced such as our Commuter of the Month. It featured individuals that biked, walked and used an alternative fuel vehicle to commute to work. We also placed additional emphasis on alternative fuel vehicles as more and more of our municipalities have installed charging stations.
- Our bike share programs continued to grow and be used as an example for programs with both Bucks County and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. We continued to look for partners and locations in business parks. Bike commuting workshops were designed and promoted to all our partners and the general public.
- Our TA bike helmet safety program – “I Love You and Your Brain Too” was extremely successful with the PTMA partnering with local municipalities to distribute free helmets to kindergarteners through 8th graders. There are over 7 sponsors for the program. Almost 300 helmets were distributed. We hosted 200 students from the Mathcounts Competition in a spirited tee shirt design contest to promote bike helmet safety.
- In December we began a series on teleworking...

And then COVID happened.

- Information came in on an almost daily basis that we needed to distribute to our partners and the general public. So we began our Teleworking Tips daily update which featured practical teleworking advice and tips, the latest updates from SEPTA, important roadwork information and alternative transportation information specifically related to walking and biking. The same information was posted on our social media accounts in order to give it an even wider range. It was very well received.
- Teleworking continues to be successful for businesses in our region with over 74% having their employees telework. According to a PTMA survey, 63% of the businesses plan to continue this practice.
- Since transit options were scarce in our region and people still needed to get to work, we decided to tweak our bike share program. Individuals could check a bike out directly from the PTMA for a significant period of time with the qualifier that they would follow the PTMA waiver requirements in addition to being the only one to utilize the bike. Employers and nonprofits could also recommend someone for a bike. This program is in effect until the County goes into green and PTMA partners are able to open. (We may want to consider remote opening locks for the future).
- We hosted a Virtual Bike to Work contest and began a series on biking tips on YouTube.
- And we hosted our first bike helmet giveaway in 2020 with the help of the North Wales Borough Police Department and North Wales Borough where we gave out 54 helmets while maintaining social distancing. This included 3 seniors, for at the request of the PTMA Board, we added free helmets for seniors 65 and up.

Financially we were able to secure a PPP grant and several other COVID 19 grants that were available to assist us through these difficult times. We had to cancel our Spring Transportation Summit and not hold our Annual Meeting at the William Penn Inn. Both events bring in both sponsorship and attendance revenues. And the cost cutting measures that we made last year including eliminating PTMA sponsored healthcare and replacing it with a stipend, no attendance at conferences and a significant reduction in travel and a reduction in the Executive Director's salary have all helped in reducing the deficit and put us in much better financial footing going forward.

What will the future bring? To be honest, we have no idea. Will people go back to transit? Continue to telework? Ride more bikes? Who knows? What we do know is that for 2021-2022 the TMAs have to compete to develop regional programming. It will be an interesting challenge for the PTMA but we do have programming now that can be duplicated. So it is full steam ahead.

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